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TAGS: BEXP, TC, UK

SUBJ: MAJOR EXPANSION PLANNED FOR DUBAI PORT

1. LOCAL PRESS ANNOUNCED JUNE 14 THAT GOVT OF DUBAI  
PLANS TO SPEND STERLING 65 MILLION (\$154.7 MILLION) ON  
MAJOR EXPANSION OF THE PRESENT BERTHING FACILITIES AT  
SHAIKH RASHID PORT, ALREADY ONE OF THE BIGGEST MAN-MADE  
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HARBORS IN THE MIDDLE EAST. PRESS REPORT MENTIONED

THAT THE RULER OF DUBAI, SHAIKH RASHID, HAS DECIDED ADD 30 NEW DEEP WATER BERTHS TO PRESENT 15; HOWEVER, EMB INFORMED BY RELIABLE BUSINESS SOURCE THAT THE PORT RASHID EXPANSION WILL ACTUALLY ENTAIL CONSTRUCTION OF 20 NEW BERTHS FOR A TOTAL OF 35. (PORT RASHID ACTUALLY HAS 17 BERTHS AT PRESENT, TWO OF WHICH ARE FOR FUELING PURPOSES). CONTRACT REPORTEDLY HAS ALREADY BEEN AWARDED TO UK FIRM, COSTAIN CIVIL ENGINEERING, WHICH COMPLETED THE CONSTRUCTION OF PRESENT PORT IN 1972.

2. ALTHOUGH CONTRACTS FOR DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION PHASES OF THIS PROJECT ALMOST CERTAINLY HAVE BEEN WON BY BRITISH FIRMS, WE BELIEVE EXCELLENT OPPORTUNITY EXISTS FOR AMERICAN MANUFACTURERS OF PORT HANDLING EQUIPMENT AND WAREHOUSING FACILITIES. FOR EXAMPLE, WE WOULD EXPECT THAT EXPANSION PLANS FOR PORT RASHID WILL INCLUDE INSTALLATION OF EQUIPMENT FOR HANDLING CONTAINERIZED SHIPMENTS. REQUEST THAT USDOC PUBLICIZE THIS MAJOR PROJECT ADVISING AMERICAN SUPPLIERS OR SUBCONTRACTORS TO CONTACT COSTAIN EITHER IN LONDON OR IN DUBAI.

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